

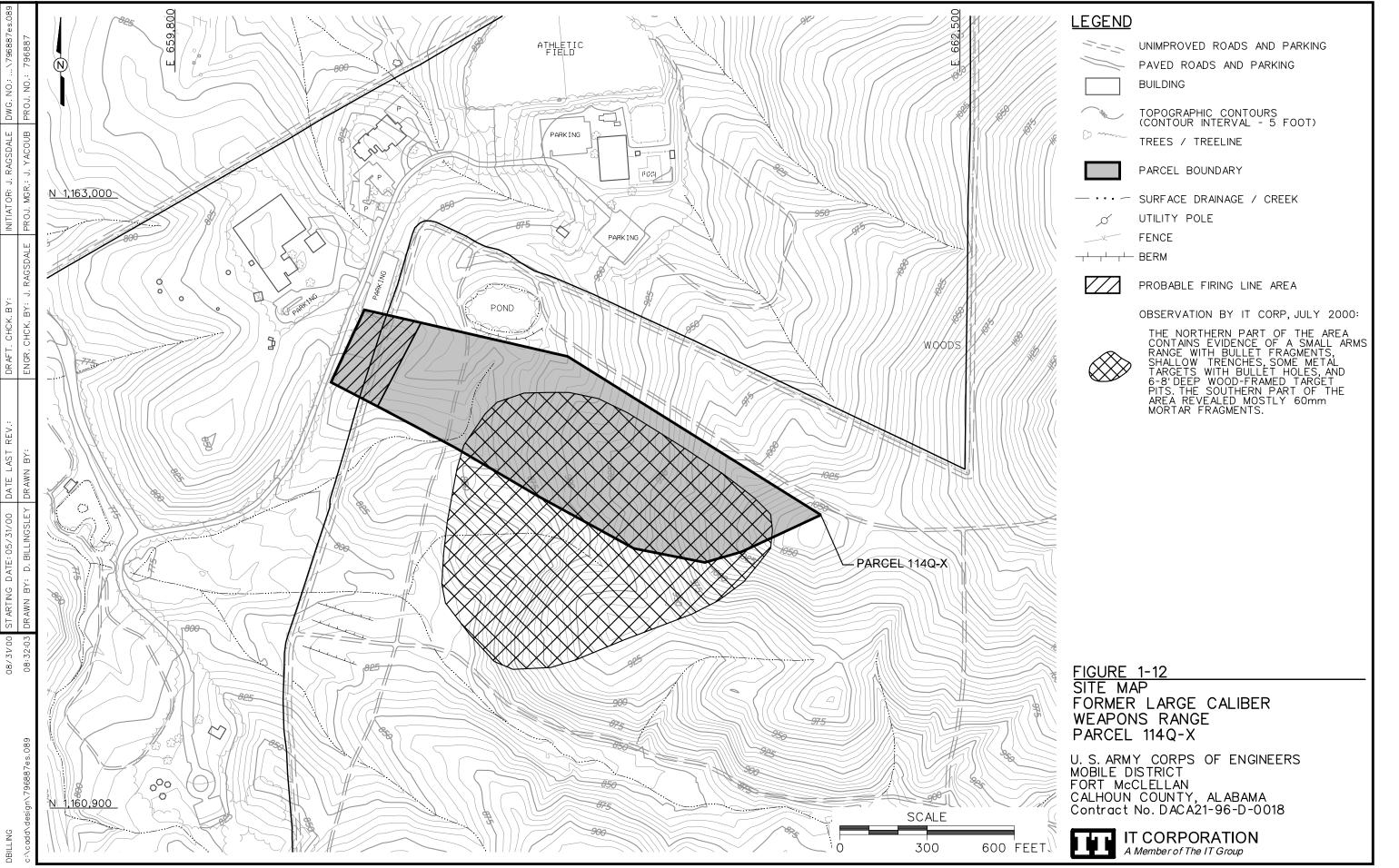
Observations during a site walk by IT personnel in July 2000 revealed physical features of primarily a small arms range in the area of Parcel 114Q-X. The range was oriented to the east, but the probable firing line was not obvious which is shown, in the EBS, partly outside the western FTMC boundary. It appeared some trenching had occurred just east of the probable firing line and the perimeter road along the western FTMC boundary fence. Small trenches and firing points were observed to the east and uphill at approximately 400 to 500 feet from the probable firing point (Figure 1-3). Further east and uphill, wood-framed target pits (approximately 7 to 8 feet deep) and perpendicular trenches were observed. Throughout the central and southern area of Parcel 114Q-X, small arms fragments were observed.

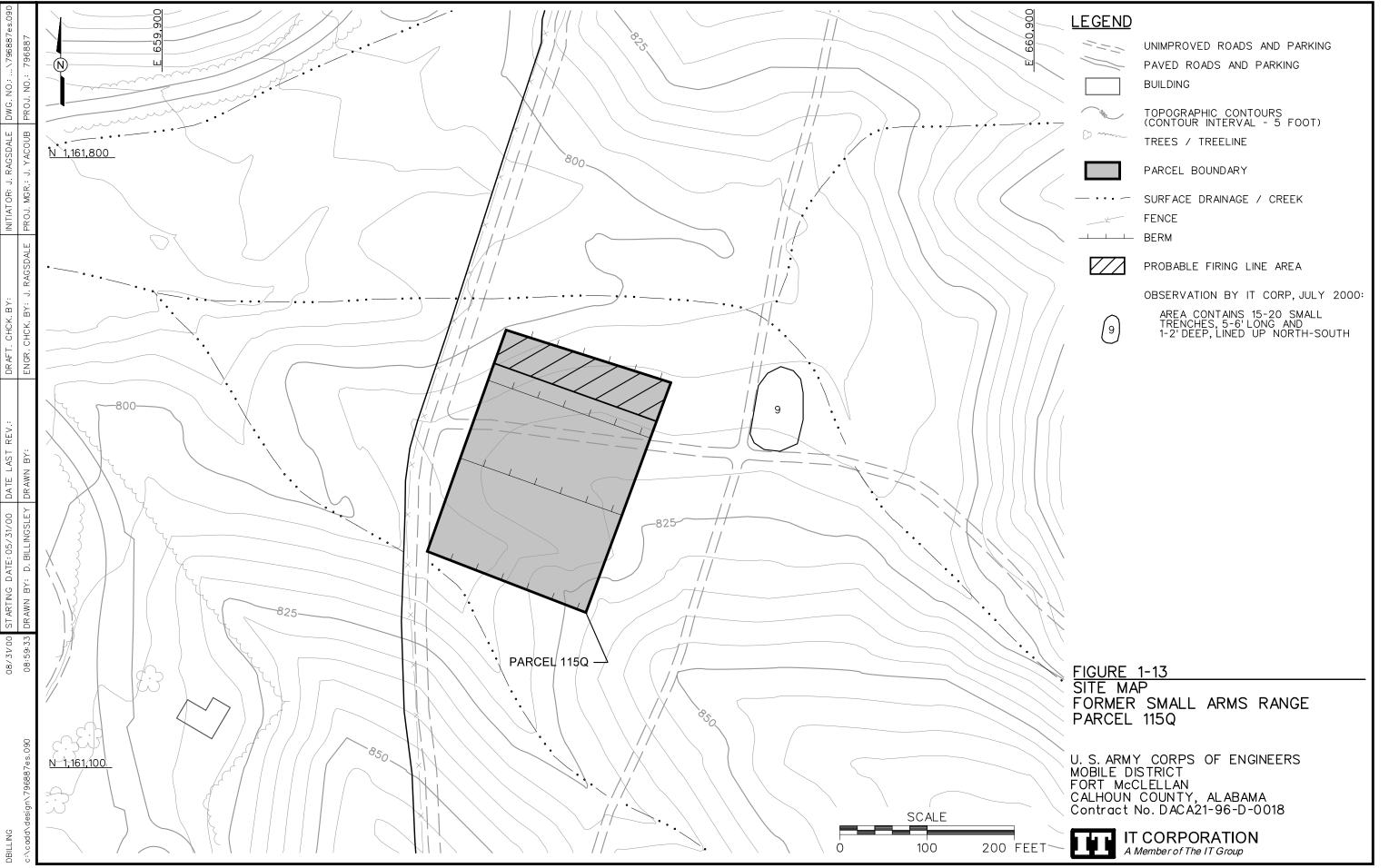
Former Small Arms Range, Parcel 115Q. Former Small Arms Range, Parcel 115Q, is a former small arms range located west of Iron Mountain Road near the western border of the Main Post (Figure 1-13). Documentation of this range is limited to aerial photographs from 1957 (ESE, 1998). The range appears to be constructed in a manner similar to Range 12 (short pistol range). Additional information describing this range and the activities conducted at the range was not available.

Observations by IT personnel during a site walk in July 2000 at Parcel 115Q revealed physical features of a short, small arms range. It appeared to have a probable firing line at the north end and three small berms (4 to 5 feet high) to the south that were likely backstops behind targets. The berms appeared somewhat eroded and overgrown with trees. The site has a small intermittent stream that flows to the west between the firing line and the first berm. A dirt road separates the middle and the southern most berm. The range appeared to have been abandoned for a long time.

60-Millimeter Mortar Range, Parcel 116Q-X. The 1946 Reservation Map (U.S. Engineer Office, 1946) identifies a 60-millimeter mortar range near the post boundary south of Summerall Gate (ESE, 1998) (Figure 1-14). The direction of fire was to the northeast in the general direction of the western and northern slopes of Iron Mountain. Only a portion of the SDZ is identified. The firing line was also identified on 1959 maps (ESE, 1998).

According to the ASR, a 60-millimeter mortar range appears to have been first used in this area during World War II (USACE, 1999a). This mortar range was abandoned sometime between 1958 and 1967. During the site visit to collect information for the ASR, remnants of 60-millimeter high explosive (HE) mortar rounds were found in Area 15 (USACE, 1999a).





The SDZ plotted on the EBS maps is estimated from the partial SDZ presented on the 1946 Reservation Map and knowledge of the maximum range for this ordnance (ESE, 1998). The impact area was not identified on this map; however, aerial photographs taken in 1961 display a ridge off the northwest flank of Wheeler Mountain, which was largely cleared of vegetation. This ridge is possibly the impact area for some of the ordnance fired from this mortar range. Additional information regarding this range, dates of use, or operation was not available (ESE, 1998).

A large trench, 8 to 10 feet deep, was observed in the area of the probable firing line area for Parcel 116Q-X during a site walk by IT personnel in July 2000. This trench is the likely firing point for the 60-millimeter Mortar Range, Parcel 116Q-X. Several physical features were noted indicating probable impact areas on west and northwest slopes between Iron Mountain and Wheeler Hill. On a northwestern slope, east and northeast of Wheeler Hill, several 60-millimeter mortar fragments were observed with areas of small shallow depressions. It appeared to be the area described from the 1961 aerial photograph, above. Another area on a ridge approximately 1,200 feet northeast of the probable firing line for the Parcel 116Q-X contains several large trenches. One of these trenches is over 50 feet long and 6 to 8 feet deep. Additional areas further north and northeast reveal small arms and smoke grenade/flare fragments as well as a few metal targets with bullet holes.

Impact Area, Parcel 117Q-X. Impact Area, Parcel 117Q-X, is located near the southwest boundary of the Main Post and includes part of the current area known as Lagarde Park, which is outside of the FTMC boundary (Figure 1-15). The mapped boundary of Impact Area, Parcel 117Q-X, is based on information compiled in an informal document maintained by FTMC legal staff and from impact areas identified by the Environmental Photographic Interpretation Center (EPIC) (ESE, 1998). The impact area identified by EPIC for Impact Area, Parcel 117Q-X, is within the vicinity of mortar ranges and other previously identified large caliber ranges; however, no direct information is available regarding the weapons which impacted any of these sites. Impact Area, Parcel 117Q-X, is located at the southwestern Post boundary and contained a variety of ordnance materials, including mines. UXO clearance had been conducted at the portion of this impact area now occupied by part of the Lagarde Park, which is owned by the City of Anniston. Lagarde Park contains a community center swimming pool, tennis courts, and a natural history museum (ESE, 1998).